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The United States can easily be turned into a fascist nation at the stroke of a pen under the provisions of the Federal Emergency Management Act. What is being planned is cloaked in secrecy, but what has been revealed is frightening: suspension of our Constitutional rights; arrest of political dissenters without habeas corpus; and concentration camps, designed to hold millions of people, which are being readied all over the U.S. No approval by congress or state or local government is necessary to execute the plan.

Even local military or police authorities can declare martial law without consulting higher authority. Interviewed is investigator and author Chip Berlet. We also intersperse sections of past programs with experts who deal with the subject of planned public persecutions, past and present. Some of these experts include MIT's Noam Chomsky, University of Texas history professor Tom Philpott, former CIA officer John Stockwell, and congressmen Henry Gonzalez and Ron Paul.

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✧ John Stockwell segment recorded February and March, 1985

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Stockwell

✧ Frank and Doug segment recorded September 8, 1987

<http://gseis.ucla.edu/faculty/kellner/index.html>

✧ Arthur Kinoy segment recorded June, 1990

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arthur_Kinoy

✧ Frank Wilkinson segment recorded September, 1986

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frank_Wilkinson

✧ Tom Philpott segment recorded September, 1987 and February, 1984

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✧ Henry Gonzalez

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_B._Gonzalez

✧ Ron Paul

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disclosure of the government's activities and for that they took away a hundred thousand dollars from him in a civil suit even though was even classified even though it was unclassified there were no secrets involved and now a broader range of government employees is under these restrictions oh you had the Morrison the the criminal case against Morrison who leaked some information to Jane's weapon systems they're going after the sky into the Espionage law and if they get this if President Reagan gets this anybody who talks the press in Washington could be jailed for for espionage another one is the Philly g passport ruling in which the Supreme Court supported the State Department the secretary of state now has the authority to take away any American citizens passport without hearing it means that in the next war a Jane Fonda going to Hanoi ass I hirsch covering me lie they'll just lose their passport and me'll I won't be exposed another law that they're putting together which is as ominous as you can get is this pre-emptive strikes against terrorist secretary Schultz is is defending this thing saying yes it will be necessary to take action on the basis of information that would never stand up in court and yes innocent people will be heard in the process this bill also provides for the Secretary of State to put together a list of terrorists of suspected terrorists of terrorist supporters just on his own word and by your name or your organization is on the list you would not be permitted to go to court and challenge it and have your name taken off the list so the Secretary of State pinned your name on his list and legally they can kick in your door and kill you they've got the teams put together to do the preemptive striking international SWAT teams the State

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international SWAT teams the State Department and all have actually said who they claim in the United States or some of these terrorists this includes people who are supportive of the trees people who are against nuclear power plant see spits this lobby group will do right people who support the refugees coming up from El Salvador anybody who is supportive who is non supportive of the administration view of Central America that's millions of people another one is the nerve the national emergency reaction plan that Reagan started working on shortly after he put you know set people up streamlining the National Guard the National Guard command so it can be called out more quickly in times of civil disorder I like Kent State and then there's FEMA there's a lot of laws and you know you can sort out 15 you could sort out others that includes ective orders too right yeah executive orders is one way of coming up with the law bills passed through Congress is another way Supreme Court decisions another way and all these things are happening and in just the policy Frank Wilkinson who was jail for a year for refusing to cooperate with a house on American Activities Committee he tells us about a shocking threat to our civil liberties preventive detention wipes out the foundation of the whole criminal justice system in our country which is based upon the concept of the presumption of innocence in America when you're charged with a crime you're presumed innocent until the jury has found you guilty for that reason our eighth amendment gives you bail for you can defend yourself judges will deny bail in certain capital cases possibly or in cases where there's reasonably the flight from the jurisdiction but generally you get bail all right Kennedy's bill provides that an arresting police officer FBI agent on a non-capital not even an injury case but it could be any one of a the number what

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it could be any one of a the number what I call a civil disobedience type of statutes recidivists who constantly protest nuclear power plants or civil rights action zooming it is arrested and the arresting judge vesting officer takes you before the judge for arraignment and says to the judge Your Honor I ask that you deny bail this man or this woman is dangerous that's the only word is used at that point under Kennedy's bill the judge locked you up for five days while you prove that you're not dangerous and how do you prove you're not dangerous if you already locked up allegedly on suspicion of violating some law after five days are based on hearsay evidence it would never be accepted adequate of law the judge then can deny you bail and you're locked up you you're like the pending trial that's an Alice in Wonderland type of Justice where the Queen of Hearts said sentenced i'll try later whatever that was you know in the heart book and that is something now that is 10 and the horrible irony is it is to be compared with something that's going on to uphold apartheid in South Africa these seem to be prettiest serious things now you have a historical perspective of what the United States has done in Civil War and World War One World War two how does the stack up with things have happened in past ah it pales everything else it's beyond everything else so if we go back to what Americans schoolchildren still hear about as an unfortunate thing in American history that was corrected you know and so that everything is okay ever since the third alien act of July 1798

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since the third alien act of July 1798 provided that the president of the united states in the event of a declared war and then the war would have been declared against france the president then could arrest imprison and banish aliens from the homeland of the country with which the United States was making war okay it had to be war were declared and the abuse the disregard of the rights of aliens only from the country in belligerency and it was never invoked nobody was touched that action because of a storm of protest now Henry Gonzalez said that if there is a formal declaration of law all of these of yo of war that all of these acts like the 1918 Sedition Act and the Espionage Act of 1917 they would automatically come back into effect I think he's an error there were four major laws made during World War one the two you mentioned and then one called the sabotage Act which made it a a work a crime against the war interest of the United States to stop working which is to say to participate in the strike and then there was a fourth final sweeping alien Act which not just Germans but any aliens could be put in jail if they were suspect and chiefly suspect of anarchism now I don't think those laws can be reinvent too that's why the Smith Act was written but what we have here is a record of a preparing for war by preparing to make a kind of war against our own people in the US Constitution every alien has every protection that we citizens have and these loss aspetta knows laws have been held constitutional and as famous stuff isn't just against aliens it's against after anybody now if you go down to the Smith Act of 1940 the alien registration act no time of war

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alien registration act no time of war alright it's because of a situation in which war may become likely any alien of any nationality can be detained or deported for any suspicious action to the safety of the United States that's that's getting more extreme but at least the context is war is likely now we have an in 1940 there was not a politician in the United States who when he thought of the word war connection with the United States did not assume a congressional debate and a vote to declare war now there isn't a politician who thinks that any such debate is as plausible anymore that's a great regrettable change the emergency detention act of nineteen fifty I'm just part of the so-called McCarran act absented the condition of war altogether hmm it was for an emergency to do to be declared by the presidency those emergencies in included declaration of war or invasion or insurrection of the United in the United States or threat of instruction in the United States and then anybody alien are naturalized could be incarcerated on suspicion that that person would conspire to commit and act so it's no overt acts even and the president could just declare the situation just on his own yeah I have to get approval or anything yes the American president vetoed that act and it passed over his veto it has since been repealed in 1971 but for all we know given the clandestine character of so many operations it's incorporated into this present act for preparing for

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into this present act for preparing for an emergency well even with that there was a study made in the early 70s after the act was supposedly repealed and the concentration camps which they've set up were still in a caretaker status and some of those were the ones prepared for the Japanese a hundred and twenty thousand Japanese-Americans who were incarcerated during World War two during World War one there were severe measures the Espionage act the Sedition Acts which didn't have anything to do with espionage they'd do with criticism of the US government and don't forget that there's plenty of precedent of the government jailing anti-war dissidents 30,000 people jailed and the civil war for protesting the war six thousand jailed in world war one for protesting the war remember Kate Richards O'Hare saying the women of the United States are nothing but brood cells producing sons to be put into the army to be turned into fertilizer and she was sentenced to five years in jail for Andy Warhol we do have to remember in all justice and candor that much of the repression which has occurred in this country has been popular that is the population has supported it and it was assured by its government that it was justified and in fact necessary for the preservation of American values and the American people have always rested uneasily with that they've regretted each Red Scare at least to some extent but for a while it's been popular in the Constitution is there in part to protect those of us who are going to say something that our countrymen don't want to hear we're supposed to be able to say it and these government programs have been designed to crush us if we've tried and what's at stake is freedom freedoms that we have sometimes inaccurately boasted about but freedom the system of democracy itself there are cynical people in the world including in this country who are quite happy to take away your freedom if you'll let them do it

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your freedom if you'll let them do it and this is what's at stake right now what the American people must never forget is that when fascism comes to America it will come wrapped in an American flag and that's something that I have never forgotten because that's the problem that we face today and we have to be very open about this what are we facing we're facing the road to fascism and when we understand that millions and millions of American people will stand up and will fight for the elementary preservation of the American system of government and that brings us to the end of this alternative views frequently hear from viewers who request a list of news publications which we use on alternative views and also a reading list for us power structure in the mass media if you would like to have these send a stamped self-addressed envelope to the alternative Information Network p.o.box 7279 Austin Texas 787 13 you must send a self-addressed stamped envelope that same address is when which you can use to write us on any subject as a matter of fact alternative Information Network p.o.box 727 mine Austin Texas 787 13 goodbye

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